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**Subject:** FOIA Assignment for EPA-R8-2015-009927

You have been assigned to the FOIA request EPA-R8-2015-009927. Additional details for this request are as follows:

- Assigned By: Alan Engels
- Request Tracking Number: EPA-R8-2015-009927
- Due Date: 09/16/2015
- Requester: Melissa Blasius
- Request Track: Complex
- Short Description: N/A
- Long Description: This is a request under the Freedom of Information Act. I request that a copy of the following documents relating to the Gold King Mine – Animas River disaster:
  - All reports created by the EPA or Environmental Restorations LLC describing the events leading up to, the causes, or the aftermath of the Gold King Mine blowout in August 2015, which caused millions of gallons of wastewater to spill into the Animas River.
  - Contract with Environmental Restorations LLC which includes the work at Red and Bonita Mine and Gold King Mine since October 1, 2014.
  - All written (email, letter, memo) correspondence between EPA or its contractors and the owner of the Gold King Mine (either Todd Hennis or San Juan Corp.) from January 1, 2014 to present
  - All email communication mentioning “Gold King”, “Red and Bonita Mine,” “Red & Bonita,” “Cement Creek,” “Animas River,” and/or “Silverton” to or from the following EPA employees: Steve Way, Paula Schmittiel, Liz Fagen, Cynthia Peterson, Sabrina Forrest, Richard Sisk, Dan Wall or Gina McCarthy from August 4 to August 7
  - All written (email, letter, memo) correspondence between EPA or its contractors and the owner of the Red and Bonita Mine from July 1, 2015 to present.
  - All documents showing the scope of work or specific plans to “remove the blockage and reconstruct the portal at the Gold King Mine” as mentioned in the attached fact sheet AND all written plans or scope of work to be done upon entering the Gold King Mine workings.
  - All EPA readings monitoring the amount and/or quality of the discharge from the Gold King Mine since 1/1/2015.